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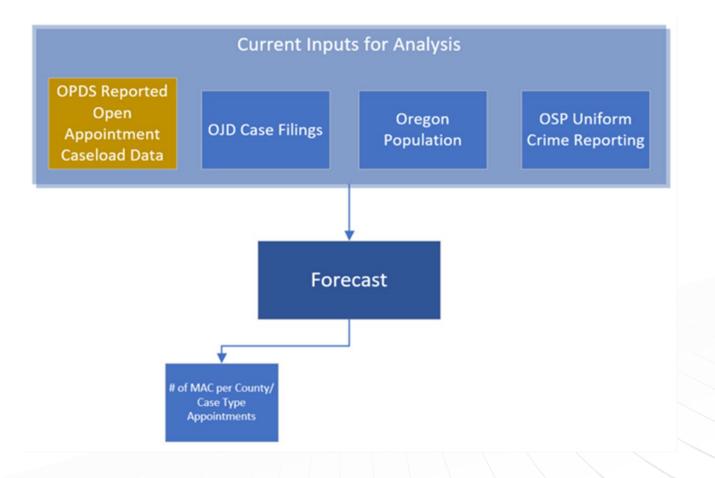


Appointed Forecast Model Methodology

- Projected FY24 need for each county and case type by current caseload standards using historically reported case numbers.
- Considered Oregon Judicial Department case filings and growth rates over the past five fiscal years.
- Considered Oregon population growth from 2010-2022 US Census Data.
- Considered Oregon State Police Uniform Crime Reporting Data (2020-2022 by county).
- Factored in the effects of unrepresented caseload to exiting and future appointments.
- Compared current changes to anticipated changes is budget build.

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Public Defense Forecast at DAS



- Senate Bill 337 authorized the Department of Administrative Services to produce a public defense caseload forecast effective January 1, 2024.
- The first forecast will be published on or about April 15th, 2024.
- All forecast materials and interim information are available on our website: http://www.oregon.gov/das/oea/

Technical Workgroup



- The Office of Economic Analysis formed a technical workgroup to assist in establishing the forecast process.
- Membership includes OPDS, OJD, CJC, State Police, Governor's Office, LFO, and CFO.
- Purpose of the workgroup is threefold:
 - Identify the nature of OEA's forecast output.
 - Identify the data OEA needs to accomplish this and its source.
 - Determine the methodology for producing the forecast output.

Technical Workgroup



- Workgroup held first meeting in early October.
- Discussed existing forecast process and data.
- Discussed the required elements of DAS' forecast output:
 - Cases/"instances" where an individual(s) would be eligible for counsel.
 - Delineated by case types, including Felony, Misdemeanor, Probation Violation, Civil Commitment, Juvenile (Delinquency and Dependency), etc.
 - Monthly, extending out three future biennia.

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- Next steps:
 - Currently working with the Judicial Department and the Office of Public Defense Services to refine datasets reflecting the forecast variables previously discussed.
 - Once finalized, will develop proposed methodologies to review with the technical workgroup.
 - Process expected to wrap up by late January.

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